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For: A METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE PROGNOSIS)
OF CANCER PATIENTS BY MEASURING LEVELS OF BAG EXPRESSION)

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

This application is a § 371 national stage application, having a U.S. entry date of June 27, 2002 and based on PCT/US00/18758, filed on July 7, 2000. The cover page of the WO publication is attached as Exhibit A.

When the PCT application was filed, the Applicant claimed priority to U.S. application Ser. 09/350,518, filed July 9, 1999. See Exhibit A, item (30).

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In addition, the United States was designated with the further indication "continuation-in-part" to reserve the right for the PCT application to be treated as a continuation-in-part of the priority application. See Exhibit A, item (63).

The Applicant hereby amends the application so that it is not a continuation-in-part application, and should not be treated as such under PCT Rule 4.14. Nevertheless, the Applicant expressly maintains the priority claim to U.S. application Ser. 09/350,518 under PCT Rule 4.10 and PCT Article 8(1).

Accordingly, a patent issuing from this application will have a 20-year patent term based on the international filing date of July 7, 2000.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned agent or Cathryn Campbell with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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